- (A) In general, the Federal share may not exceed 85% of the reduced living allowance: however.
- (B) If a participant is serving in a program that provides room or board, the Corporation will consider on a case-by-case basis allowing the portion of that living allowance that may be paid using Corporation and other Federal funds to be between 85% and 100%.

[59 FR 13796, Mar. 23, 1994, as amended at 71 FR 10611, Mar. 2, 2006]

EFFECTIVE DATE NOTE: At 73 FR 53760, Sept. 17, 2008, §2522.240 was amended by revising the heading of paragraph (b)(4), redesignating paragraph (b)(5) as (b)(6), and adding a new paragraph (b)(5), effective Nov. 17, 2008. For the convenience of the user, the added and revised text is set forth as follows:

#### § 2522.240 What financial benefits do AmeriCorps participants serving in approved AmeriCorps positions receive?

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- (b) \* \* \*
- (4) Waiver or reduction of living allowance for programs. \* \* \*
- (5) Waiver or reduction of living allowance by participants. A participant may waive all or part of the receipt of a living allowance. The participant may revoke this waiver at any time during the participant's term of service. If the participant revokes the living allowance waiver, the participant may begin receiving his or her living allowance prospective from the date of the revocation; a participant may not receive any portion of the living allowance that may have accrued during the waiver period.

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### § 2522.245 How are living allowances disbursed?

A living allowance is not a wage and programs may not pay living allowances on an hourly basis. Programs must distribute the living allowance at regular intervals and in regular increments, and may increase living allowance payments only on the basis of increased living expenses such as food, housing, or transportation. Living allowance payments may only be made to a participant during the participant's term of service and must cease when the participant concludes the term of service. Programs may not provide a lump sum payment to a participant who completes the originally

agreed-upon term of service in a shorter period of time.

[73 FR 53760, Sept. 17, 2008]

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#### § 2522.250 What other benefits do AmeriCorps participants serving in approved AmeriCorps positions receive?

- (a) Child Care. Grantees must provide child care through an eligible provider or a child care allowance in an amount determined by the Corporation to those full-time participants who need child care in order to participate.
- (1) *Need*. A participant is considered to need child care in order to participate in the program if he or she:
- (i) Is the parent or legal guardian of, or is acting in loco parentis for, a child under 13 who resides with the participant:
- (ii) Has a family income that does not exceed 75 percent of the State's median income for a family of the same size:
- (iii) At the time of acceptance into the program, is not currently receiving child care assistance from another source, including a parent or guardian, which would continue to be provided while the participant serves in the program; and
- (iv) Certifies that he or she needs child care in order to participate in the program.
- (2) Provider eligibility. Eligible child care providers are those who are eligible child care providers as defined in the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 9858n(5)).
- (3) Child care allowance. The amount of the child-care allowance may not exceed the applicable payment rate to an eligible provider established by the State for child care funded under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 9858c(4)(A)).
- (4) Corporation share. The Corporation will pay 100 percent of the child care allowance, or, if the program provides child care through an eligible provider, the actual cost of the care or the amount of the allowance, whichever is less
- (b) Health care. (1) Grantees must provide to all eligible participants who

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meet the requirements of paragraph (b)(2) of this section health care coverage that—

- (i) Provides the minimum benefits determined by the Corporation;
- (ii) Provides the alternative minimum benefits determined by the Corporation; or
- (iii) Does not provide all of either the minimum or the alternative minimum benefits but that has a fair market value equal to or greater than the fair market value of a policy that provides the minimum benefits.
- (2) Participant eligibility. A full-time participant is eligible for health care benefits if he or she is not otherwise covered by a health benefits package providing minimum benefits established by the Corporation at the time he or she is accepted into a program. If, as a result of participation, or if, during the term of service, a participant demonstrates loss of coverage through no deliberate act of his or her own, such as parental or spousal job loss or disqualification from Medicaid, the participant will be eligible for health care benefits.
- (3) Corporation share. (i) Except as provided in paragraph (b)(3)(ii) of this section, the Corporation's share of the cost of health coverage may not exceed 85 percent.
- (ii) The Corporation will pay no share of the cost of a policy that does not provide the minimum or alternative minimum benefits described in paragraphs (b)(1)(i) and (b)(1)(ii) of this section

[59 FR 13796, Mar. 23, 1994, as amended at 70 FR 39600, July 8, 2005]

## Subpart C—Application Requirements

# § 2522.300 What are the application requirements for AmeriCorps program grants?

All eligible applicants seeking AmeriCorps program grants must—

- (a) Provide a description of the specific program(s) being proposed, including the type of program and of how it meets the minimum program requirements described in §2522.100; and
- (b) Comply with any additional requirements as specified by the Corporation in the application package.

# § 2522.310 What are the application requirements for AmeriCorps educational awards only?

- (a) Eligible applicants may apply for AmeriCorps educational awards only for one of the following eligible service positions: (1) A position for a participant in an AmeriCorps program that:
- (i) Is carried out by an entity eligible to receive support under part 2521 of this chapter;
- (ii) Would be eligible to receive assistance under this part, based on criteria established by the Corporation, but has not applied for such assistance;
- (2) A position facilitating servicelearning in a program described in parts 2515 through 2519 of this chapter;
- (3) A position involving service as a crew leader in a youth corps program or a similar position supporting an AmeriCorps program; and
- (4) Such other AmeriCorps positions as the Corporation considers to be appropriate.
- (b) Because programs applying only for AmeriCorps educational awards must, by definition, meet the same basic requirements as other approved AmeriCorps programs, applicants must comply with the same application requirements specified in §2522.300.

### § 2522,320 May an applicant submit more than one application to the Corporation for the same project at the same time?

No. The Corporation will reject an application for a project if an application for funding or educational awards for the same project is already pending before the Corporation.

EFFECTIVE DATE NOTE: At 73 FR 53760, Sept. 17, 2008, §2522.320 was revised, effective Nov. 17, 2008. For the convenience of the user, the revised text is set forth as follows:

## § 2522.320 Under what conditions may I submit more than one application for the same project?

You may submit more than one application for the same project only if:

- (a) You submit the applications in separate competitions (i.e., National Direct, State, Education Award Program); and
- (b) You disclose in each application that you have submitted another application for the same project to the Corporation.